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COMMISSIONER

Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

July 10, 2014

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 38-B, Benjamin River and Center Harbor (Sedgwick and Brooklin). This change classifies a portion of upper Benjamin River from restricted to approved due to water quality meeting approved standards. All existing pollution and red tide/psp closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of non-point source pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the Benjamin River (Sedgwick, Brooklin): north of a line beginning at the mouth of an un-named brook on the Brooklin shore, approximately 300 yards south of the Route 175 road causeway crossing the Benjamin River, then running in a northwesterly direction to a red painted post located on the Sedgwick shore, approximately 120 yards south of the Route 175/172 intersection; AND south of Route 175 Bridge. This area is classified as "Restricted," and harvesting requires a special MDMR permit.
- B. Effective immediately, because of intermittent seasonal pollution, the following areas has have been classified as Conditionally Approved and shall be closed to the harvesting of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from May 1 through October 31:
 - 1. the Benjamin River (Sedgwick, Brooklin), south of a line beginning at the mouth of an unnamed brook on the Brooklin shore, approximately 300 yards south of the Route 175 road causeway crossing the Benjamin River, then running in a northwesterly direction to a red painted post located on the Sedgwick shore, approximately 120 yards south of the Route 175/172 intersection; AND north of a line beginning at the westernmost point of Cape Carter (Brooklin), then running northwest across the mouth of the river, to the nearest point of land on the Sedgwick shore.
 - C. 2. Effective immediately, because of intermittent seasonal pollution, the following area has been classified as "Conditionally Approved," and shall be closed to the harvesting of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from May 1 through October 31: Center Harbor (Brooklin), north of a line beginning at the shoreward end of the 1st wharf on the south shore of Kane Point, located approximately 130 yards southeast of the eastern tip of Kane Point, then running in a northwesterly direction to the most western point of Chatto Island, then continuing northwest to the U.S. Coast Guard navigation aid "N2", then running in a northerly direction to shoreward end of the 1st wharf located approximately 150 yards west of the end of the Steamboat Road in Haven Village.

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If you have questions, please contact Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9535, Email: Kohl.Kanwit@maine.gov. During weekends/holidays, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public_health/closures/closedarea.htm. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,

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Commissioner's Designee - Director, Bureau of Public Health

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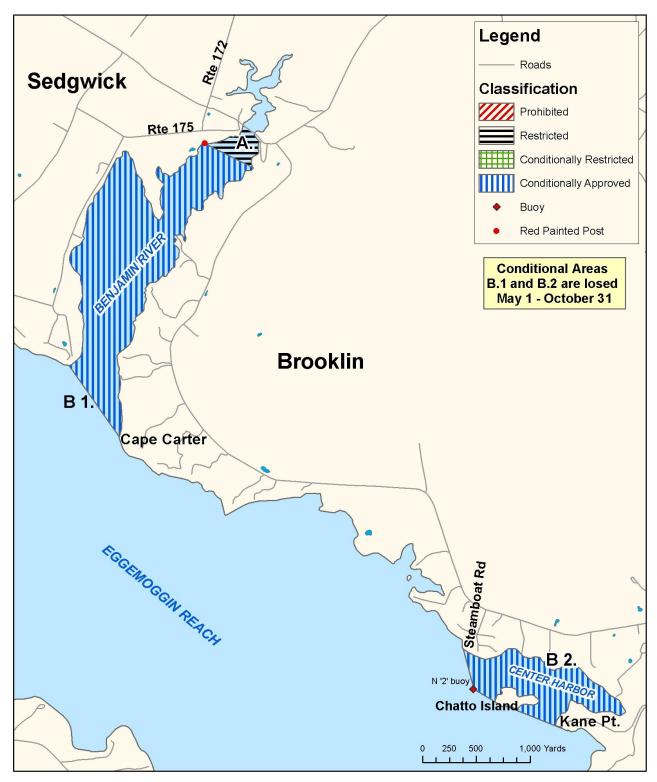
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